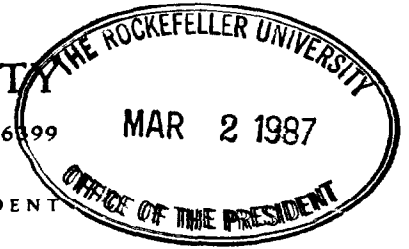




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Dear Ron:

Many thanks for your extremely helpful letter of February 19, with the several enclosures providing details along the lines of the questions and themes I raised. Some points you had already answered during our previous conversations. Having the full documentation is important. I was particularly interested in the listing of protocols because, I gather, the list of "titles" and "uses" constitutes a summary of all of your present research interests.

We are near the final stages of our explorations here with respect to all aspects of the arrangements that would be necessary for you to consider moving your splendid group to The Rockefeller. We hope to get back to you in writing by not later than mid-March. The delays during the past few weeks have been caused by unexpectedly hectic schedules on a variety of other matters here, combined with a few trips out of the City for both Josh and me. We are keenly aware that all of us have devoted a great deal of time (and devotion) to the discussions so far -- and we share your commitment to reaching a conclusion just as soon as possible.

With thanks again for your excellent cooperation and my warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

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